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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME **UNDER 37 CFR §1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action dated March 12, 2003 in the above-identified application from April 12, 2003 to September 12, 2003.

The extension request and appropriate fee are as follows:

		•	Large Entity		Small Entity
[]	One month	[]	\$ 110	[]	\$ 55
ij	Two months	[]	\$ 410	[]	\$205
Ϊĺ	Three months	[]	\$ 930	[]	\$465
Ţį.	Four months	[]	\$1,450	[]	\$725
[X]	Five months	[]	\$1,970	[X]	\$985

Applicant is a small entity. [X]

A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. [X]

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- [] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees required by this document to Deposit Account No. 50-1947 referencing Attorney Docket No. *. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any <u>additional</u> fees which may be required, or credit any <u>overpayment</u>, to Deposit Account No. <u>50-1947</u>, referencing Attorney Docket No. <u>CSI-2012</u>.

In the unlikely event that the transmittal letter is separated from this document and/or the Patent Office determines that other relief is required, Applicant authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 50-1947, referencing Attorney Docket No. CSI-2012. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: September 9, 2003

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